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A snowboarder rides
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Ski Martock on
Thursday afternoon.
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HELLO, WINTER

Ski season is upon us,
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Halifax skating on thin ice, city warns

SAFETY

**Oval is best bet
with lakes not
yet frozen**

If you're feeling the itch to strap on the skates this weekend, your best bet is to stick to the oval.

The municipality is warning people to be cautious on

lakes in the Halifax region when walking or skating on the ice.

"It's possible that there may be some lakes that have thicker ice, but cer-

tainly it's the time of year when you're more likely to have thinner ice and there's a possibility that there could be open water nearby," said spokesperson Tiffany Chase

on Thursday.

The municipality regularly tests ice thickness on more than 80 lakes, and is currently reporting thin ice and open water on all of them.

The Canadian Red Cross recommends people stay off ice that's less than 15 centimetres thick, or 20 centimetres for group activities.

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CANADIAN FORCES

Five more breaches of secure network

In the wake of the revelation of a large breach of information at the military's East Coast intelligence Centre, the navy's commander in the region now says there have been five more breaches of a secure military computer network at Canadian Forces Base Halifax.

In an interview requested by the navy on Thursday, Rear Admiral John Newton said the "non-nefarious breaches" occurred at the navy's training school at the base.

Newton said they were found after the navy began security scans of its system in September. He said those same scans had previously turned up a larger breach of information at the intelligence facility, HMCS Trinity.

He said the latest checks revealed an inappropriate use of information by three instructors and two students at the training school who transferred classified training material from the military's classified network to its unclassified network.

"Therefore I would suspect that the nature of the material on the military unclassified network now are a small group of files related to training of our sailors and how they operate their ships," said Newton.

While he classified the latest misuse as "small indiscretions," Newton said the navy views it as a serious matter. He said military police are investigating and so far, no charges have been laid.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hospital 'past its life cycle'

HEALTH CARE

Leak behind wall at Victoria General delays chemo delivery

The unit that prepares chemotherapy treatments for patients at a major cancer centre in Atlantic Canada had to be draped in sheets of plastic Thursday to shield it from a water leak at a hospital that has been already been plagued by floods, maintenance problems and poor hygiene.

A spokesman with the Nova

Scotia Health Authority said the leak behind the wall at the Victoria General Hospital in Halifax caused slight delays in the delivery of chemo drugs to patients because staff had to produce the drugs in a smaller space.

Everton McLean said about a quarter of the space was blocked off after a series of leaks were discovered in the building Tuesday, causing the heating system to be shut down until late Wednesday night.

The latest disruption renewed debate about the fate of the aging facility that has seen surgeries postponed, patients relocated and units temporarily closed because of burst pipes

and other infrastructure breakdowns.

Health Minister Leo Glavine said Thursday that he will press his federal counterpart for financial help to replace the hospital, a critical health centre for the region.

Glavine said he has already raised the issue with federal Health Minister Jane Philpott and will bring it up again when they meet on Jan. 20, but he didn't elaborate on exactly what he will seek.

"We have to look at the needs of our senior population, which is growing every day," he said. "Part of that is being able to meet their more acute needs in

a hospital ... So that will be one of those areas that will be on the table with the health minister."

McLean said one of the heating systems was shut down for two days on all 12 storeys after at least four leaks were discovered on different floors of the Victoria building.

He said the forced air heating system in the hospital's hallways was boosted to provide heat in patient rooms before the system was repaired and heat restored Wednesday night.

Glavine insisted the site was safe for employees and patients, but acknowledged that they have to move ahead with replacing the building that treats

+ ON STANDBY

Leo Glavine said he expects to receive a report mid-month on plans to replace buildings at the site, a project that has been discussed by various administrations with little progress being made over the years.

people from across the region seeking specialized care.

"Patients at the Victoria General site are in a high need category," he said. "The VG, having been opened in 1947, is past its life cycle." THE CANADIAN PRESS



FORECAST WARMER TEMPS SWEEPING THROUGH THIS WEEKEND A few seagulls hang out on a frozen Northwest Arm on Thursday morning. Temperatures were around the freezing mark Thursday but Environment Canada is calling for warmer temperatures to move into the region by Sunday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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RECREATION

Ski hills open after warm temps delay snowmaking



Haley Ryan
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Thousands of Haligonians and residents from around the province are expected to hit the slopes this weekend, catching the first time all three major ski hills are open this year.

Ski Wentworth near Windsor opened on Thursday, joining the season with Ski Martock and Cape Breton's Ski Ben Eoin, which both opened Jan. 1.

"We traditionally open in December. Last year we opened the middle of the month, two years prior we opened on the 23rd," Ski Martock's operations manager, Andy MacLean, said Thursday.

"(It's) a little bit late, but really we're talking a week."

Although 2014's December was just as bare in terms of natural snow as 2015, it was cold enough to make the white stuff. MacLean said the warm temperatures last month prevented them from creating enough to open earlier.

Luckily the temperatures dropped right after Christmas and Martock was able to make enough snow on top of what fell before New Year's Eve to take advantage of the last holiday weekend, MacLean said.

"It looks like winter here, feels



Snowboarders ride to the top of Ski Martock on a sunny Thursday afternoon. JEFF HARPER/METRO

like winter," MacLean said.

"The machine-made snow is the bread and butter that's going to cover the hill and is more durable."

Opening weekend saw thousands of skiers and snowboarders at Martock, MacLean said, with the main trail open first, the second planned for the weekend, and half of the bunny hill open featuring an easier "magic carpet" conveyor belt replacing the tow rope.

In his 31 years at Martock, MacLean said, he's seen a whole range of weather, including Februarys where the hill was just a

bit of white snow up the middle.

"I'm not read to say that winter's shifting in that direction, but if it is a shift we plan to make changes to adjust," MacLean said.

Leslie Wilson, Ski Wentworth general manager, also said they usually like to open before Christmas but the high temperatures worked against them.

"We have been noticing ... it seems to be getting a little bit later," Wilson said.

Wentworth is planning to stay open until the first weekend of April, and Wilson said every year it seems like people enjoy skiing longer into the spring.

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Skate: There are multiple free public skates a day at the Emera Oval in Halifax, and with a new public building you can take a break inside a warm room. Visit halifax.ca/skatehrm for a full schedule.

Grab a sled: Head to some of the area's best spots like Citadel Hill, Gorsebrook School or a nearby golf course like Ashburn, and

enjoy the speed of sledding through the snow.

Snowshoe: Break out snowshoes on the region's many trails and paths, or join in Hike Nova Scotia guided winter snowshoe walks throughout the province every weekend, with the closest HRM hike set for Sheet Harbour on Jan. 17. Be sure to pre-register at hikenovascotia.ca.



People sledding last year on Citadel Hill. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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10 tonnes of water is turned into snow every minute at Ski Martock when the system runs full-tilt.

2015	SUPREME COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA	Hfx No. 437719
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Bar worker elects trial by judge alone



Zane Woodford
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A man accused of aggravated sexual assault who was allowed to keep his job at a downtown Halifax bar has elected to be tried by judge alone in Nova Scotia Supreme Court.

Lance Paul Seward, 38, was charged in September with four counts each of overcoming resistance to the commission of an offence by attempting to choke, suffocate or strangle another person; aggravated sexual assault; and sexual assault with a weapon, threats to a third party or bodily harm.

On Thursday, Seward's lawyer, Ian Hutchison, appeared briefly in Halifax provincial court on his client's behalf to make the election, and set a date for a preliminary inquiry.

Seward has yet to make a plea, and will do so before the Supreme Court, if a preliminary inquiry rules there is enough evidence to proceed

to trial.

That one-day preliminary inquiry will be held on June 14 in Halifax provincial court.

Hutchison declined a request for comment outside the courtroom on Thursday.

In September, Metro first reported that Seward was allowed to keep his job at the Bitter End on Argyle Street despite the allegations.

The bar's owner, Michael Leigh, denied any knowledge of those allegations, despite being listed on court documents as Seward's surety.

Seward was released after arraignment in court on Sept. 2 on conditions including that he not possess firearms — unless to deposit them to police — and not contact or be within 100 metres of the victim.

+ PROTECTED

The identity of the victim in the case is protected by a publication ban.

CRIME

Alleged fraudster arrested on provincewide warrant

Police in Nova Scotia say they've arrested a 29-year-old man on a provincewide warrant.

Stephen Wade Tracey was arrested Wednesday at about 4 p.m. on Almon Street in Halifax.

A provincewide warrant was issued on Tuesday for charges of fraud, forgery,

break-and-enter and possession of stolen property.

Police say Tracey is responsible for crimes involving identity theft and cheque fraud with a female accomplice who was arrested in New Brunswick in December.

Tracey was expected to appear in Kentville provincial court on Friday.

METRO

Bridge shutting down for next few weekends

INFRASTRUCTURE

Closure due to redecking as part of Big Lift project



Yvette d'Entremont
Metro | Halifax

Macdonald Bridge users will need to find alternate routes not only this weekend but likely for the next few weekends.

The bridge is shutting down at 7 p.m. Friday and isn't scheduled to reopen until 5:30 a.m. Monday to allow for the replacement of deck segment number four as part of the Big Lift project.

About 12 full weekend closures were expected with the redecking project over an 18-month period. Overnight closures run Sunday to Thursday from 7 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.

Alison MacDonald, spokeswoman for Halifax Harbour Bridges, said drivers should expect closures for the next few weekends.

"Until the contractor can demonstrate they can replace a deck segment (overnight) in 10 and a half hours we will be having weekend closures," she said. "People can expect the bridge to be closed for weekends for the next few weeks."

Last fall, two Macdonald Bridge reopening delays caused



Work on the Macdonald Bridge involves replacing 46 deck segments. JEFF HARPER/METRO

snarls that had some drivers stuck in traffic for hours on Monday.

"We do apologize greatly for the two late openings we had after the first deck segment was replaced back in October,"

+ INFORMATION

For up-to-date information on Macdonald Bridge openings, closures and related schedules, go to hdhc.ca/closure-times.

MacDonald said.

"Safety is our No. 1 priority with this and we would never compromise on that which is why the bridge didn't open (on time)."

MacDonald said although they couldn't promise that won't happen again, they are working closely with the contractor to minimize the possibility. Weather, specifically wind, does play a role in determining if the project is ahead of or behind schedule.

"We are behind schedule in terms of the number of deck

segments we hoped to have in place by now but if we have a fairly mild winter with little wind we should be on schedule to get all the deck segments in place by late fall as planned," MacDonald said.

"This is a huge project and the size and scope is beyond what many people were expecting."

The project involves replacing 46 bridge deck segments starting on the Dartmouth side of the bridge. It is expected the Big Lift will give the Macdonald Bridge a life span of 75 years.

THINK BEFORE YOU PARK

When and where you park during the winter can have a big impact on clearing.

The municipality is stepping up winter parking enforcement, so plan ahead.

Learn more about parking bans and sign up for notifications at halifax.ca/snow.

HALIFAX

Singing the oilpatch blues

MIGRANT LABOUR

For Maritimer, work may dry up, but not words or song

As the economy continues to crush once-lucrative jobs out West, a Nova Scotia man is sharing the pain that comes with it.

But he's found a creative outlet — through song.

Jody, an insulator who is also a singer/songwriter, posted his first original song — \$100 Barrel — to YouTube on Dec. 23.

He said it came from knowing there are so many who lost everything.

"This is about someone living in any town in Alberta saying: 'This is what I used to have and now it's gone,'" he said.

"But if the price of oil went back up to \$100 a barrel, I could get it back again."

Living the life out West, Hickey said it wasn't hard to write about the hardships.

"I've heard about them and I lived it," he said. "It's



Cape Bretoner Jody Hickey, who now lives and works in Halifax, is seen here at a former job in Kerle Lake, Alta. CONTRIBUTED

time away from family — I've missed some of my close friends' funerals and that's something you need, to get closure."

He had a nine-year relationship that fell apart because of the travelling. He was far away

from a lot of people he loved. "Everybody who's out West just wants these jobs to be in Nova Scotia," he says.

His travelling started early. After graduating from high school at age 17, Hickey said he chose what he describes

as "the Cape Breton lifestyle," moving away and coming back.

He first headed to Toronto where he worked a variety of jobs from landscaping to construction, whatever he could find.

At 29 he headed out West

and began working in the oilfields, surveying, pipelining, service rig work, maintenance work — "pretty well everything but working on an oil rig."

"I was going whenever the work was, sometimes six months at a time, sometimes for a year or two years."

Since August, he has been employed in Halifax with a company mainly working with offshore and industrial companies in Nova Scotia.

"I'm also finishing up the last block of my trade in Halifax, so I should be a ticketed journeyman when I finish this."

Hickey has also been honing his creative talents.

Since Hickey was 14 years old, he enjoyed writing songs and now belongs to a Nashville songwriting group and has attended some songwriting seminars.

He said he wants people to understand what those working out West are going through, of the banks having parking lots full of repossessed vehicles due to the lack of work.

TC MEDIA

SAFETY

Family survives house fire

Yarmouth Fire Department officials say a family of four safely escaped an early Thursday morning fire at a home on the north end of Brunswick Street.

Firefighters arrived at 4:10 a.m. and were able to keep the fire from spreading throughout the residence.

Damage was contained to an outside deck and south side portion of the brick home.

Fire Chief John Verrall says the fire started on the deck.

"If the smoke detector didn't work, I don't know what would have happened," he said. "That early in the morning people aren't driving by and neighbours wouldn't have known until the fire got really big." TC MEDIA



If the smoke detector didn't work, I don't know what would have happened.

Fire Chief John Verrall

BAY FERRIES

No vessel yet for Yarmouth route

An official with Bay Ferries says "the market for ships is challenging," but the company is working hard to secure a vessel to sail between Yarmouth and Portland later this year.

Don Cormier, vice president of operations for Bay Ferries, said Thursday he couldn't offer

a lot of other comment on the situation.

"We've heard lots of speculation out there," he said.

"We're working with brokers, we're working with companies we know, we're exploring all options out there to secure a ship."

"That's the only thing that can be said at this point."

Earlier in the week the province's minister of Transportation and Public Works, Geoff MacLellan, said he's not concerned that a vessel hasn't been secured yet.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

Bigwigs react to bomb with 'Twiplomacy'

When North Korea detonated its bomb this week, foreign ministers around the globe took to Twitter to voice condemnation.

British Foreign Secretary Philip Hammond branded the detonation a "provocation ... which I condemn without reservation."

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry denounced the test, which remains unconfirmed as a hydrogen bomb. "The United States and nations around the world unequivocally condemn North Korea's latest nuclear test," Kerry tweeted.

And Canada's foreign affairs department posted the reaction of minister Stéphane Dion warning that North Korea's conduct poses a "grave" risk to security.

All that activity drove home the rise of digital diplomacy.

Twitter has become the new soapbox of diplomats. It's even given rise to a new lexicon — Twiplomats practicing Twiplomacy. Indeed, the website Twiplomacy writes that Twitter has become the "channel of choice

for digital diplomacy between world leaders, governments, foreign ministries and diplomats."

Its 2015 study found that more than two-thirds of all heads of state and government have personal Twitter accounts.

"Foreign ministries around the world have embraced Twitter with a vengeance and social media is the new medium for what you would call quick time responsive reaction," says Fen Hampson, director of the global security and politics at Waterloo's Centre for International Governance Innovation.

In an era of the 24-hour news cycle, tweets are a quick way for a politician to get their views into the discourse, 140 characters of condemnation, praise or caution.

Diplomacy is often the art of the understatement, careful words to send a country's message, often delivered quietly to a foreign envoy behind closed doors. Today though, that initial message or response to a crisis is just as likely to be delivered via social media. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Catherine McKenna, minister of environment and climate change, meets with her provincial counterparts in December. Inset, McKenna spends time with her two daughters and their friends. CONTRIBUTED/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Making the Hill more 'family-friendly'

POLITICS

Minister says that work-life balance is vital to her success

Like many of us, Environment and Climate Change Minister Catherine McKenna arrived at work this week with fresh New Year's plans.

There's greenhouse gas reduction, for one. And then there is the dreaded work-life balance. McKenna has a husband and three children — 11, 9 and 7.

She announced to staff Mon-

day that she intends to be out of the office every day at 5:30 p.m. sharp, except Thursdays.

Once she is home, she will be offline for a couple hours, to do homework with her children, oversee lessons and sit down to dinner, together as a family.

"I am not going to be a good minister unless I'm happy at home and my family's happy and there's some balance," she said over the phone.

Her new rule has it that at about 8 p.m., she will again take up work duties.

"I'm very happy to work late, and you certainly work very long hours," she says. "But it's really important to my mental health to be able to know I can

be home and check in with everyone and in that time, I'm not available."

Work-life balance is a hot topic among new MPs and parliamentary staff, McKenna said. More to the point: they want to have their new jobs and keep their families, which for MPs is akin to wanting to have a natural Hollywood body.

Traditionally, Parliament Hill is a place men go for power and families go to die.

The long hours, the constant distraction and for most MPs, the weeks not just at work but a plane ride away in Ottawa are too much of a strain on relationships. Alison Loat and Michael MacMillan interviewed about 80

departing MPs for their book *Tragedy in the Commons*. "The personal cost of political life was a subject that recurred again and again in the interviews, unbidden," they write.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau knows this intimately. He's tasked House Leader Dominic LeBlanc with examining ways to make the House more "family-friendly for members of Parliament."

Before Christmas, Trudeau reminded cabinet ministers it was important for them to spend their vacation time with their families, McKenna said.

"The prime minister has set the tone on this."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

IN BRIEF

Feds extend matching donations for Syria

Photos of starving children in Syrian villages are reminders that the human toll still needs to be addressed, the international aid minister and humanitarian agencies said Thursday in urging Canadians to continue to support relief efforts. The government will extend to Feb. 29 the deadline for people to donate and have those dollars matched by Ottawa.

About \$12 million has been donated since the Conservatives announced the creation of the matching fund in September. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Safety minister promises to review no-fly list

The federal public safety minister says officials have reminded airlines they don't need to vet children against Canada's no-fly list, after a six-year-old was stopped by airport security. Ralph Goodale says his department is exploring possible changes to regulations that would help differentiate individuals who have similar or the same names as people on the list. In addition, Goodale indicated the no-fly regime would be examined during public consultations on security frameworks. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Violence a year after Hebdo

PARIS

Knife-wielding man killed after threatening police officers

Police shot and killed a man wearing a fake explosive vest who threatened them with a butcher knife at a Paris police station Thursday, a year almost to the minute after two Islamic extremists burst into the offices of the satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo, killing 11 people and unleashing a bloody 12 months in the French capital.

The Paris prosecutor's anti-terrorism unit opened an investigation after police found a cellphone, a piece of paper with an emblem of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, and "an unequivocal written claim of responsibility in Arabic" with the man's body, the prosecutor's office said. It did not provide details about the claim.

France has been under a state of emergency since a series of attacks claimed by the Islamic State group killed 130 people in Paris on Nov. 13, and tensions increased this week as the anniversary of the January attacks approached. Soldiers were posted in front of schools and security forces were more present than usual amid a series of tributes to the dead.

Officials said the man shot to death Thursday threatened officers at the entrance of a police station near the Montmartre neighbourhood, home to the Sacre Coeur Cathedral. Just moments before, French President Francois Hollande, speaking in a different location, paid respects to officers fallen in the line of duty.

The man at the police station is believed to have cried out "Allahu akbar," Arabic for "God is great." He has not been identified, and Interior Ministry spokesman Pierre-Henry Brandet said police do not believe anyone else was involved.

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A gathering in Paris Thursday marks one year since the attacks on Charlie Hebdo satirical newspaper. **Tensions in France, under a state of emergency since a wave of attacks on Nov. 13, have been even higher this week.** FRANCOIS MORI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK

Miners rescued, all 17 OK

Seventeen miners trapped in a Lansing, N.Y., salt mine — one of the world's deepest — were rescued Thursday morning, ending a 10-hour ordeal that began when their elevator broke down 900 feet (275 metres) underground.

They were descending to the floor of the 2,300-foot-deep (700 metres) Cayuga Salt Mine — nearly deep enough to fit two Empire State Buildings stacked on top of each other — to start their shift, when the elevator malfunctioned at around 10 p.m. Wednesday, said Mark Klein, a spokesman for mine owner Cargill Inc.

Emergency workers communicated via radio with the miners, who had blankets, heat packs and other supplies lowered to them.

A crane hoisted the first four miners to the surface in a basket around 7 a.m. Another four were rescued about 30 minutes later. Seven more were brought to the surface by 8:30 a.m., Klein said. The last two were rescued a few minutes later. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A researcher takes samples of the 5,300-year-old body of a Bronze Age hunter known as Ötzi. AUGUSTIN OCHSENREITER/

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SCIENCE

Iceman's ulcers clue to Bronze Age

Poor Ötzi lived and died painfully. The 5,300-year-old "Iceman," whose frozen remains were discovered by hikers in the Italian Alps, has been diagnosed by modern-day scientists with several illnesses and injuries. Now European scientists have extracted *Helicobacter pylori*, the bacterium that causes ulcers, from the ice mummy's stomach.

"It was for sure a tough life,"

said Albert Zink of the Institute for Mummies and the Iceman, at the European Academy of Bozen/Bolzano and a co-author of the paper in the journal *Science* this week.

Ötzi's stomach bug help fill in blank spots in the bacterial history of Europe. Because *H. pylori* is an incredibly successful human pathogen, researchers have used geographically

distinct bacterial strains to reconstruct human migrations.

Ötzi's *H. pylori* is the oldest specimen ever sequenced. His strain is very different than that of modern Europeans and is most closely related to a strain found in India. The scientists would like to sample pathogens from the stomachs of other ancient mummies to learn more.

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IN BRIEF

Dinos boogied for love

Scientists have found evidence of a frenzied mating ritual by dinosaurs: long grooves in the ground etched by the pawing of clawed feet. Such behaviour is seen in some birds, and the discovery suggests theropod dinosaurs did it about 100 million years ago, the researchers said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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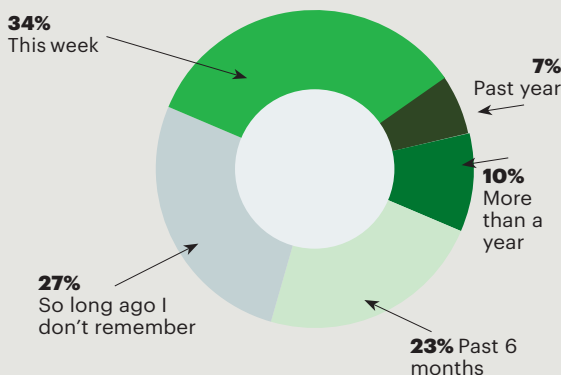
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Internet killed the video store?

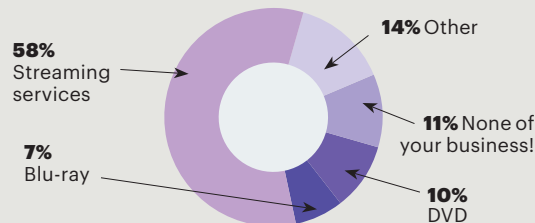
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A unique movie-rental shop in Canada's biggest city is defying a global trend. It's continuing to grow, despite the rise of online video providers such as Netflix. Sales at Toronto's Bay Street Video jumped 10 per cent in 2015, and it was recently named one of the top 50 video stores in North America by Entertainment Weekly. The secret sauce, the store manager says, is the selection, which includes many offbeat titles that aren't found on any streaming service. We asked our readers if they gave up on home video long ago, or if their DVDs and tapes are still rolling.

1 When was the last time you watched a film or TV show on a DVD, Blu-ray or tape?



2 How do you watch most of your movies and TV?



3 If you do choose to watch old-fashioned "hard copy" movies and TV, why?

21% Quality is better
18% Better selection
18% I like obscure movies
16% I like my TV setup/I don't know how to stream
13% I use the library
14% Other

I like VHS. You can find many classics for under a dollar. I like the bendy sound, the warped picture and the Space-Age vibe.

If it's any good, it will eventually come out on TV.

I use Netflix to preview a movie. If I like it I will buy the DVD to own and re-watch. Plus DVDs come with bonus material.

I miss visiting the video store to hunt for a movie. It's easy to stream but it isn't the same.

WE ASKED Metro readers

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Legal déjà vu: Another battle for abortion access

Prince Edward Island: Home to Anne of Green Gables, lobster, and not one abortion.

Not one for decades, despite the Supreme Court's 1988 ruling that struck down the country's anti-abortion law.

And now, after years of fighting, activists are suing the province. It's just the latest in a long line of litigation that gave women the right to abortions and then fought for the implementation of that right. It's perhaps fitting that it has come down to a lawsuit in P.E.I.

This week Abortion Access Now P.E.I., with support of the national women's rights non-profit LEAF, gave the 90-day warning required before suing the government. The groups allege the province is infringing on women's charter rights and is in contravention of P.E.I.'s own health-care plan. Lawyers will argue the no-abortion policy unlawfully discriminates on the basis of sex and pregnancy, and that sending women out of province goes against P.E.I.'s commitment to the efficient and equitable administration of health care.

Currently, the province pays for an abortion if a P.E.I. woman travels one of two approved out-of-province hospitals. But travel isn't covered.

There is the bridge toll to get off the island, the bus fare, often an overnight stay at a hotel, all for a short procedure, says Kim Stanton, LEAF's legal

director.

The lawsuit is a last resort, Stanton said — it could take years and an estimated \$100,000 to litigate. But, "You don't start one of these things unless you are willing to see it through."

Joyce Arthur, executive director of the Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada, expects a battle.

"Based on things like (the province's) own history and their long-standing policy, they're just going to be stubborn and keep fighting, no matter how weak their arguments are, no matter how weak their case is," Arthur said.

Stubbornly, too, pro-life advocates have fought access to abortion at every turn, pushing federal bills to send abortion-providing doctors to jail (in 1990) or enshrine the rights of fetuses (in 2007). We're lucky not to live in the violent days, when abortion clinics were firebombed (as in 1992), and abortion doctors were shot (as in 1994, 1995 and 1997).

But in many ways — the threat of rising fees for B.C. abortion clinics; provinces refusing to fund abortions that take place in clinics — abortion rights remain under attack. According to Arthur, only one-fifth of hospitals nationally provide abortions.

So here we are, in 2016, with a lawsuit to carry on that good fight. The latest legal battle, but surely not the last.

Surprise: Ebola has no upside



Genna Buck
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It was a scary time.

In July 2014, for an assignment in Maclean's, I spoke to Dr. Tim Jagatic, a Canadian GP working in the field in Ebola-ravaged Sierra Leone. Exhausted and dehydrated after a long shift in hot, Michelin-Man-like protective gear, he said he was faced with a fleeting chance to do real-time science.

Usually, Ebola symptoms include high fever, vomiting, diarrhea (often bloody), and, near the end, bleeding from the eyes, nose and rectum. Mortality is in the high double digits. It's a grisly, excruciating, humiliating way to die.

But Jagatic said with a record number of cases, some odd manifestations of the

virus were being seen for the first time. It seemed to be causing some patients' blood sugar to spike. Was it attacking the pancreas? He had no idea.

"We're trying to incorporate as much clinical research as we possibly can," he said. "But that does require resources ... things we don't have."

This illustrates what should be obvious, yet must be said: Doing science only once an application is needed — during the response to a full-blown outbreak — doesn't work.

That's the same conclusion reached this week in an article published in the journal Science. It decries the "thin scientific harvest" of the 2014-2015 West African Ebola outbreak.

The authors describe a "frenzied effort" to test vaccines and drugs that had never been given to humans.

It was a letdown. Some experiments had no clear results because they failed to enrol enough participants. Others did recruit enough patients, but didn't use a good study design, producing murky data. Some were halted early.

The one published clinical

trial was cold comfort. In July 2015, when the worst of the epidemic was long past, the World Health Organization trumpeted "a game-changer": a vaccine that was — according to a clinical trial of 4,000 high-risk people in Guinea — apparently, tentatively, safe and 100 per cent effective.

It was VSV-EBOV, a vaccine developed by the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) in Winnipeg. Three cheers for Canadian science! Hip, hip, ...

Wait. The outbreak, which is expected to be declared over soon, infected 28,637 and killed 11,315, mostly in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone.

Meanwhile, a good vaccine was sitting in a lab somewhere. Work on it started around 2000, and by 2005 it was shown to confer strong Ebola immunity in monkeys. In jumpy, post-9/11 North America, there was a lot of funding for research on bioterrorism agents. The Canadian government licensed the vaccine to a small American drug developer, which never got around to human trials.

An Ebola bomb never

materialized. An epidemic did. No one saw it coming. Before 2014, there had only been a couple of thousand Ebola deaths total since the 1970s.

Dr. Heinz Feldmann, one of the creators of the vaccine, urged me not to judge PHAC too harshly. Threats like flu and tuberculosis get prioritized for a reason. When government and market interests align (not the case with Ebola), private partnerships can help fund major drug development.

Feldmann said vaccines for rare, deadly infections (like Nipah virus, a "time bomb") should be developed at least to the stage of testing for safety in humans, so trials of effectiveness can begin when an outbreak hits. And it has to be publicly funded: Businesses likely won't invest in preparing for an event that may never be. If that had been the approach in the first place, maybe we wouldn't be searching for a silver lining now.

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Leonardo DiCaprio hides his Hollywood looks under scruff, filth and grimaces in *The Revenant*. CONTRIBUTED

Still searching for that Oscar

THE REVENANT

Could Leo finally win over the Academy?

Richard Crouse

For Metro Canada



Leonardo DiCaprio makes \$25 million dollars per movie. So he has money. His best friend is Tobey McGuire and his little black book reads like a Victoria's Secret catalogue, so he's never lonely. He has opulent homes on both the left and right coasts of America — one comes equipped with a vitamin C infused shower

— and he even owns a 104 acre unpopulated island off the coast of Belize. He's a superstar with almost everything. Do you know what he doesn't have? An Oscar.

He's come close several times, earning nominations for his work in *What's Eating Gilbert Grape*, *The Aviator*, *Blood Diamond* and *The Wolf of Wall Street*, but he's never entered the winner circle.

He's always been gracious in defeat, smiling and nodding during the Oscar broadcast when someone else's name is called. "I wasn't surprised that Jamie got the award," he said about the 2005 Academy Awards when Jamie Foxx took best actor for *Ray* over *The Aviator*. "But I knew that cameras would be



MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

The Revenant ★★★★★
Anomalisa ★★★★★
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stuffed up my face so I had my response ready. Anyone who says they don't practice is a liar."

He may not have to fake being happy for another actor this year. Pundits are predicting his new movie *The Revenant* could bring him that elusive honour. He plays American fur trapper Hugh Glass, a frontiersman who became a legend in 1823 when he survived a brutal bear attack

and slogged across harsh terrain to get revenge on the man who left him to die.

This is DiCaprio's Jeremiah Johnson, a movie that masks his matinee-idol good looks with facial hair and grimaces. For much of the two-and-a-half-hour running time he is mute, alone on screen crawling across the frozen landscape, slowly inching his way toward vengeance.

There are great physical demands made on the actor — the bear-maul-o-rama being just one of the miseries he endures — but this is an internal performance. The character's strength, pain, frustration, anger and intestinal fortitude are apparent not only in his actions, but, more importantly, in his eyes. It may not be his flashiest role, but it is one of his best.

Nominations will be announced Jan. 14 so we won't know until then if he is chosen, but the odds are good. So good that *Vanity Fair* declared, "This is going to be the year Leonardo DiCaprio finally wins that Oscar."

Question is, why would someone who has everything want

an Academy Award? What difference would it make?

The truth is it would likely make no difference to his career, at least financially. He's already in the top tier of Tinseltown salaries and the fabled "Oscar box-office bump" — a sharp spike in ticket sales when the nominations are announced — hasn't meant much in recent years.

The real win for DiCaprio would be the prestige. The best actor Oscar is a rare commodity. Only 78 people have them — Daniel Day-Lewis has three, Jack Nicholson and seven others have two apiece — and winning one would put him in the company of legends like Clark Gable, Spencer Tracy and Gary Cooper.

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5 ROLES WHERE DICAPRIO DANCES WITH DEATH

Leonardo DiCaprio's onerous dead-man-walking turn in *The Revenant* after he's attacked by a grizzly bear is just the latest of his on-screen survival tests. Here are four other roles where filmmakers have made Leo fight for his life.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



1 Critters 3 (1991)

This straight-to-video sci-fi horror sequel marked DiCaprio's big-screen bow, the first of many attempts to knock off Leo. He plays Josh, a scrappy kid drawn into a continuing battle against the Krites, hedgehog-sized hairballs from outer space with big teeth and an appetite for people.

4 The Quick and the Dead (1995)

Known as "The Kid" in this Sam Raimi western, DiCaprio plays a gun shop owner who wants to impress a man he believes to be his pa. He needs to win a gunfighters' contest in the dusty streets of a town called Redemption. The Kid is good, but maybe not quick enough to avoid being dead.



2 The Revenant (2015)

It ain't right to bury a man while he's still breathing, even if he's half-dead and bleeding from a bear mauling. DiCaprio's woodsman Hugh Glass is made of stern stuff — have you ever wrestled a grizzly or slept naked inside a dead horse? — but even he might not survive sub-zero and sharp arrows.

3 Titanic (1997)

Cue Celine Dion singing *My Heart Will Go On* as we guess the fate of DiCaprio's Jack Dawson, a smooth-cheeked hustler who rolls the dice on both love and the *Titanic*. The first bet turned out well, the second one not so much. Could this waterlogged shoot have been chillier than *The Revenant*?



5 Blood Diamond (2006)

There are safer jobs than smuggling guns and diamonds in Sierra Leone, but maybe none more exciting. DiCaprio's Danny Archer enjoys the gig but knows it can't last. He seeks a giant pink diamond that could be his ticket out of Africa and into loving arms — if his violent life doesn't grab him first.



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Anomalisa puppet sex isn't a joke, creator says

DIRECTORS' TAKE

Stop-motion adds vulnerable quality, Charlie Kaufman notes

Matt Prigge
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Charlie Kaufman is smiling and joking. That's not the same as being upbeat. As we — along with Duke Johnson, the Being John Malkovich creator's cohort on his new film, *Anomalisa* — speak he'll dovetail into despairing, even hopeless commentary on the world. But he does it with a smile, even laughter, and it's slightly disarming to be joking about Guy Fieri and Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium with a guy who famously depicted a fake version of himself as a relentless downer in *Adaptation*.

Still, he did have to be coerced into making *Anomalisa*, which is only the second Kaufman script he has directed himself, after 2008's *Synecdoche, New York*. It's based on an old work: a 2005 play that consisted of actors speaking in darkness, with no visuals.

pet. They had to start shooting with less than ideal puppets.

"They broke constantly. It was very challenging getting the style of animation we wanted out of cheaper puppets."

Kaufman liked that they were fragile. "It does give it a feeling of imperfection that you don't get with computer or cel animation," he says. "There's a hand-made quality to it we really liked. It makes them feel vulnerable and real."

The plot finds Michael, during a hotel stay, becoming obsessed with Lisa, a shy, ordinary woman, voiced by Jennifer Jason Leigh, who mysteriously sticks out from the pack. But every other character is designed almost — but not quite — the same, and every one of them, male or female, is voiced by Tom Noonan.

"Most people don't even know it's the same voice actor when they see the movie, because they're used to puppets having similar features. It creeps up on you and it doesn't overpower the smallness of the story," Kaufman explains.

The most attention-grabbing part of the movie is the sex scene between Michael and Lisa. Trey Parker and Matt Stone already did puppet sex, famously, in *Team America*. But the one in

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Charlie Kaufman says of his film *Anomalisa*



"I didn't want to make it as a movie," Kaufman confesses. "It was designed to be heard and not seen." But he gave in, especially once they happened upon the idea to do it entirely in stop-motion animation. But the story — following Michael, a depressed motivational speaker (voiced by David Thewlis) — was a hard sell, and he and Johnson had to do it independently, on the very cheap.

"When you're making a stop-motion animation film, the puppets are the most expensive part of the process," Johnson explains. They only had \$100,000 for all their many, many puppets. By contrast, Laika, the studio behind *Coraline* and *ParaNorman*, spends \$80,000 on a single pup-

Anomalisa is not played for laughs, even as it's nearly as graphic.

"There's the expectation that it will be a joke. And it's not. People may be taken aback by that," Kaufman says.

That neither Michael and Lisa are prime specimens was key to both Kaufman and Johnson. "You don't see normal bodies in media," Johnson says. "When you do see a normal body it's like, 'Oh, am I suppose to see that?' Or it's funny, like if you see Will Ferrell naked."

"If you cast two regular-looking actors it would be all anybody would talk about: 'Oh, look at that body,'" Kaufman says. "It's just sad — it's sad to be in this culture."



Matthew Otto and Devon Welsh create stripped down, slow-motion electro-pop for the masses. SARAH O'DRISCOLL/CONTRIBUTED

Majical Cloudz: Smiling through the sadness

INTERVIEW

Emotional lyrics over bare synth land duo on 'best of' lists

One should never automatically equate the singer with the song, but the temptation to typecast Devon Welsh of Majical Cloudz as the walking embodiment of doomy, early 21st-century pop miserablism runs strong.

It's the risk you take when you habitually put yourself out there as emotionally unguarded as Welsh does over creative partner Matthew Otto's soft, subtle synthscapes — think Death Cab for Cutie recast as slow-motion electro-popsters — although there's definitely a Morrissey-esque mischievous streak running through his penetrating ruminations on love, longing and mortality that suggests a wicked sense of humour lurking behind the dour exterior.

Welsh and Otto are an enigmatic pair, in any case, and have lately turned up on year-end "best of" lists with their latest disc, *Are You Alone?*, released in October via Toronto indie Arts & Crafts in Canada and Matador Records south of the border.

With Majical Cloudz about to embark on a North American and Australian tour, The Toronto Star gave Welsh a ring while he was hanging out with his father, Twin Peaks actor Ken-

neth Welsh, in Uxbridge over the holidays.

I'm always struck by how little you leave yourself to hide behind in your music, musically and emotionally. You and Matthew seem very intent on doing more with less.

I think that's the one thing we have as a rule, just keeping it as spare as it reasonably can be. That was sort of the inspiration behind the band at the beginning, and that's what I'm interested in just in terms of writing songs and how it sounds when it's all finished. I've just always been attracted to music that has some space in it.

Do you get tired of people assuming you're this perpetually melancholy soul?

I remember when we put out our first album people used the word "confessional," and I don't necessarily feel that way. Sometimes I'm talking about myself, but most of the time not really. And I think on this album, as well, there's a certain sense of humour to the music — there's fertile ground for humour in something that people can take really seriously.

Is it draining laying yourself so bare night after night?

In a sense, I guess. I haven't had the experience of being in another band or playing other types of music so I really don't know. But I can

see anything being draining, any type of music. I feel like maybe if you were doing a big party thing where the show is just, you know, a big, wild party, I can see that being energizing but I can also see that being draining. I think anything that you're putting a lot of energy into on tour is just going to wind up draining you.

Speaking of touring, you guys went out on the road opening for Lorde in 2014. How was that experience?

It was interesting. The more time that passes, the weirder it seems to me. At the time, it just sort of made sense. "Oh, yeah, of course. That's what we're doing." And it was great. It was a cool experience, something that I would have never been able to do and will probably never do again. So for that reason, I think it was really cool. But the more time that goes by, the more I'm like: "Wow, that was such an alien universe."

She was nice and it ended up being really fun and interesting, but the goal or the ambition of getting back to those stages, getting back to a place to where we're opening for someone like Lorde or even trying to get somewhere close to that ourselves or myself as a musician, I just feel like that's not an ambition of mine anymore. If it ever was, I've done it.

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While there are many great courses in the Dominican, the Teeth of the Dog, featuring seven spectacular oceanside holes, is indisputably the best, says Brian Kendall. PHOTOS BY CASA DE CAMPO

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Other standout courses include La Estancia in La Romana, Punta Blanca in Punta Cana, and Guavaberry in Juan Dolio.

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Dye calls this windswept and watery stretch "the seven holes created by God." A hands-on perfectionist, the now 90-year-old Dye has spent half a lifetime tweaking and even massively reworking Teeth of the Dog and the resort's two other excellent courses, Dye Fore and The Links.

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No wonder that Casa de Campo was recently voted the Dominican Republic's best golf hotel at the World Golf Awards in Portugal. Teeth of the Dog won, too, for best golf course in the Caribbean—but that was almost a foregone conclusion.

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Looking to shake up your travelscapes in 2016? For frequent flyers who've ticked off the tried and true, and for those looking for off-the-radar places, a new list from online booking site Cheapflights offers alternative travel destinations and stand-ins for everyone from the beach-lounger, foodie and city lover. **AFP**



1 Montreal instead of New Orleans

This one's for the traveling gourmet. While NOLA boasts a rousing reputation for its edible offerings and Southern, Creole cuisine — think beignets, seafood gumbo and po'boys — Montreal is listed as the Canadian equal for its rich and diverse dining scene. Among the city's culinary hall-of-famers? Smoked meat sandwiches from Schwartz's deli; the Pied de Cochon's insanely decadent poutine with foie gras; or Le Garde-Manger's lobster poutine. A weak Canadian dollar also makes travelling within Canada a particularly enticing right now.



2 Singapore over Dubai

Travelers with a taste for the high life may want to skip over Dubai for its Asian counterpart, Singapore. Like the glittering UAE city, Singapore also boasts soaring skyscrapers, palatial shopping malls like Gardens by the Bay, and Michelin-grade dining. So much so that the bible of fine gastronomy announced plans to publish its first Singaporean edition in 2016, the first of its kind in Southeast Asia.



3 Key West, not Maui

The island city of Key West is listed as a stand-in for Maui, with its gold sand beaches, sunsets and laid-back vibe — also a closer and more affordable destination compared to Hawaii. An idyllic itinerary? Biking through the Old Town past restored Victorian homes and cottages, eating fresh seafood by the water and eating key lime pie on weathered picnic tables.



4 Barbados over The Bahamas

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Getting to San Sebastian

There are three airports in the region of San Sebastian.

The closest is located 20 km from the city center with flights to Madrid and Barcelona. Other options include Biarritz airport over the border in France, which is 40 km away, or Bilbao at around 100 km away. San Sebastian has a train station in the city center with direct connections to Paris, Lisbon, Madrid and Barcelona.

The Bay of La Concha

The Bay of La Concha has been a popular site for visitors since the 19th century. Shaped like a shell, it's home to a fine sandy beach that stretches 1.5 km and to stunning Belle Epoque buildings.

Santa Clara Island

A unique feature of this bay is its small island (around 30 m long), located close to the beach. The island is easy to reach for an afternoon escapade in peace and



The Bay of La Concha has a 30-metre island in the middle.

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quiet. Visitors can stretch out a towel on the island's small beach, walk up to the lighthouse or find a quiet spot to picnic. Swimmers can even take a dip in its natural saltwater pool. In autumn, the island is accessible by foot at low tide. A boat service runs to and from the island from June 1 to September 30.

The old town

The historical center of San Sebastian is ideal for scenic strolls. Sights include the gothic-style San Vicente church and the Santa Maria basilica, both of which can be discovered inside and out. Don't miss the city center either, where the main square — Plaza de la Constitucion — is usually the focal point of any festivities.

What to eat in San Sebastian

Eating in San Sebastian is all about pintxos — or tapas in Spanish — a culinary art that you'll need to get stuck into to get a real taste of this city. Make sure you take a trip around the tapas bars in the old town. Travellers with bigger budgets can head to the Arzak family's Michelin-starred restaurant, considered one of the best in the world. With his three Michelin stars, Chef Juan Mari Arzak combines traditional Basque cuisine with modern techniques, working alongside his daughter Elena, considered one of the most talented new female chefs of the moment.

AFF

Winnipeg Jets forward Nikolaj Ehlers, a former Moosehead, was fined \$2,000 Thursday for diving against the Red Wings on Dec. 29

IN BRIEF

Moose pick up some size in winger Sorrentino

The Halifax Mooseheads have added some "needed size up front," picking up 19-year-old forward Anthony Sorrentino off waivers.

Sorrentino, a six-foot-four, 210-pound left-winger from Woodbridge, Ont., was on waivers from the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles after scoring 12 goals and nine assists in 40 games in his rookie season in the QMJHL.

Sorrentino and the Mooseheads will be in action at home this weekend against the Rimouski Oceanic Friday and the Gatineau Olympiques on Saturday.

Puck drop for both games is 7 p.m. METRO

Sunny forecast as Hurricanes envelope Storm

The red-hot Halifax Hurricanes continue their stellar play to begin the National Basketball League of Canada season.

Six players finished in double figures as Halifax defeated the Island Storm 100-95 on Thursday night at Scotiabank Centre to improve to a league-best 6-1.

Kyle Hunt and Mike Glover each poured in 19 points for the Hurricanes, who outscored the visiting Storm 26-19 in the fourth quarter to make it five wins in a row. METRO

Plight of black hockey players examined in doc

FILM

Screening of Soul on Ice a part of NHL's diversity drive

As Damon Kwame Mason's childhood love of hockey reignited in his later years, he couldn't help but notice the lack of visible role models in the NHL.

"That burning question was always in my mind: 'How come there's not a lot of black players in this league up until now?'" recalled the Toronto native, who played organized hockey for two years and grew up idolizing Montreal Canadiens legend Guy Lafleur.

In *Soul on Ice: Past, Present & Future*, the filmmaker explores the involvement of black athletes in hockey from the minors to the NHL. The award-winning documentary delves deeper into the legacy of players who broke racial barriers and overcame tremendous adversity to leave their mark on the game.

Damon will join NHL commissioner Gary Bettman and Capitals owner Ted Leonsis at a private screening of the film in Washington on Wednesday. Retired NHL stars Grant Fuhr, Anson Carter, Kevin Weekes and Willie O'Ree — the first black hockey player in the NHL — are among the invited guests.



Filmmaker Damon Kwame Mason is pictured at a Toronto community rink as he promotes his documentary *Soul On Ice*. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

“What example is better for our youth than to be a winner and to persevere through adversity.”

Damon Kwame Mason

The event will serve as the launch for a variety of NHL activities coinciding with Black History Month in February, and continuing through March with Hockey Is For Everyone Month.

Mason was inspired to further explore the history of black hockey players after moving in 2005 to Edmonton, where he worked as a radio announcer. He befriended members of the

Oilers, including now-retired Georges Laraque, with whom he co-hosted a show.

Mason learned of the Colored Hockey League of the Maritimes formed in Halifax in 1895 — 22 years before the NHL was born.

"I was floored, because at that time I was in my 30s and I thought to myself: 'If I don't know this information ... how many Canadians don't know

ONLINE

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this information? How many black Canadians don't know this information?"

The film also turns its lens on other trailblazers like Herb Carnegie, whom Mason interviewed just over a week before his death in 2012.

Carnegie suited up for the Quebec Aces and could have been the NHL's first black player. He was invited to the New York Rangers' training camp in 1948, and was offered chances to play with the team's farm club — which he turned down because the pay was too low, citing discrimination.

Also featured are NHL players like Wayne Simmonds of the Philadelphia Flyers and Joel Ward of the San Jose Sharks. Despite increased diversity at the NHL level, neither have been immune from discriminatory acts.

Simmonds had a banana thrown at him during a pre-season game in London, Ont., in 2011. And while playing for the Capitals, Joel Ward was subjected to racial slurs on Twitter after his overtime goal eliminated the Boston Bruins from the 2012 Stanley Cup playoffs.

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NFL PLAYOFFS

Bengals' solid D vital for green McCarron

An inexperienced quarterback's biggest ally is a stingy defence. The Bengals know it.

AJ McCarron will make only his fourth career start on Saturday night when the AFC North champions host the Pittsburgh Steelers. No quarterback with so little experience has won an NFL playoff game since the 1979 season, when Gifford Nielsen led the Houston Oilers over the Chargers.

The subtext to that one: Houston's defence picked off Dan Fouts five times to set up the win. The Bengals (12-4) would like to do something similar to ease the pressure on McCarron.

Cincinnati set a club record for fewest points allowed and led the AFC. Now it's time to get really stingy.

"We just have to shorten the field and try to get some turnovers so we can put our offence in good positions to score points," defensive co-



AJ McCarron
GETTY IMAGES

ordinator Paul Guenther said.

The Bengals gave up a lot of yards and big plays this season, but were tough near the end zone. Cincinnati was 11th in yards allowed, but gave up only 279 points, second-fewest in the NFL. Seattle allowed 277.

In their two games against the Steelers (10-6), the Bengals limited Ben Roethlisberger and Antonio Brown.

The Bengals picked off Roethlisberger three times during a 16-10 win in Pittsburgh on Nov. 1. Big Ben's first game back from a knee injury. Brown, who set club records with 136 catches for 1,834 yards during the season, was limited to six catches for 47 yards.

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We just have to shorten the field and try to get some turnovers so we can put our offence in good positions.

Bengals' defensive co-ordinator Paul Guenther

IN BRIEF

Griffey Jr. to enter HOF as Mariner, Piazza as a Met
Ken Griffey Jr. will go into the Hall of Fame with a Seattle Mariners' cap and Mike Piazza will have a New York Mets' hat.

The pair made their announcements at a news conference Thursday, a day after they were elected by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Griffey spent a lengthy period of his career with Cincinnati, and Piazza reached the major leagues with the Los Angeles Dodgers. Griffey is the first Mariners' player in the Hall. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Banned Platini bows out of FIFA presidential race
Michel Platini is giving up his bid to become the next FIFA president.

Platini told The Associated Press on Thursday that he remains determined to overturn the eight-year ban he was handed by FIFA's ethics committee last month, but that the deadline for the Feb. 26 election is too short and renders his candidacy impossible.

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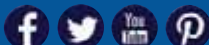
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Ready in
Prep time: overnight
Serves 6

Ingredients

- 1 loaf of brioche, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 8 eggs
- 2 cups milk
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 2 tsp freshly grated lemon peel
- 1/8 tsp allspice
- 1/8 tsp cinnamon
- 1/8 tsp salt
- 2 cups fresh blueberries
- 1 tsp butter, for greasing the dish

Directions

1. Grease a 9- by 13-inch casserole dish. Slice your brioche into 1-inch cubes and place in the dish.
2. In a large mixing bowl, whisk eggs, milk, sugar, lemon zest, allspice, cinnamon and salt. Pour this mixture over the bread. Gently stir the bread cubes and egg mixture in the dish, making sure to press the bread down so it's coated in egg. Then stir in the blueberries so they are scattered throughout the dish. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight.
3. Remove the dish from the refrigerator and allow it to rest for a few minutes. Pre-heat the oven to 350 F.
4. Place the dish in the centre of the oven to bake to bake for 35 to 40 minutes, until the bread is lightly browned and the eggy mixture is bubbling.
5. Slice and serve with warm maple syrup or agave nectar.

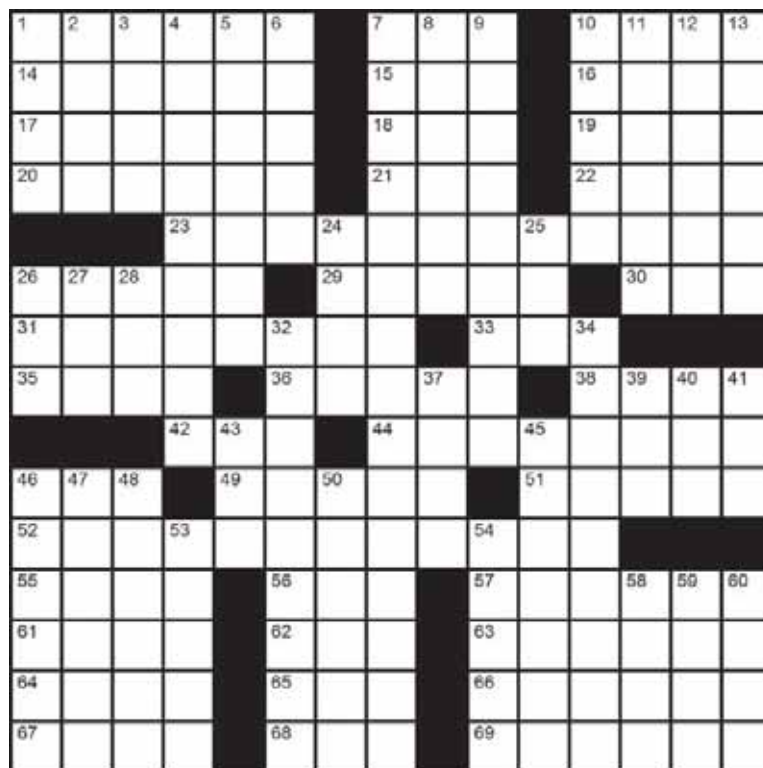
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17. President Ronald
18. "Who am I say?"
19. _-drop
20. Medieval silk fabric
21. Male mortal
22. Military cap
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46. Whiz
49. TSN's "That's Hockey _" (NOTE: Answer has a number in it!)
51. Eyries
52. Users of this invention by Hamilton



businessman Ron Foxcroft include pro sports associations and coast guards: word + number + word

61. Love antonym
62. 'Brain' suffix
63. 2002 Atom Egoyan film
64. Sarah McLachlan song
65. Edmonton transport service [acronym]
66. Western Ontario township on

Agimak Lake
67. Chemist's table salt
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69. Scotland's famous Loch, and others

DOWN
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6. Perfects
7. Wild feelings:

- 2 wds.
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9. You and only you: 3 wds.
10. Smirnoff product
11. Discoverer's exclamation!
12. Bellyacher
13. Aim
24. Student, e.g.
25. Heavy wts.
26. _ & _ (Chocolate treats)
27. Deplete
28. US film-makers org.
32. When that was happening...
34. Roy Rogers' wife who wrote the Western tune "Happy Trails": 2 wds.
37. French 'win-ters' opposite
39. The Sunshine Band singer's
40. Latin for 'or'
41. Toronto's Dundas, et al.
43. "Halloween _ _": Twenty Years Later" (1998)
45. Magnify
46. Blanket type
47. "Escape (The Pina _ Song)"
48. Strikingly unique
50. Gossiper's info starter...: 2 wds.
53. Avril Lavigne song: number + word
54. American rapper, _ _
58. Periods
59. Rush
60. Jeanne d'Arc, et al.

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries March 21 - April 20
If something from your past catches up with you don't ignore it. This is a wonderful opportunity to make amends for something you did that you have always regretted. A simple "sorry" will most likely be enough.

♉ Taurus April 21 - May 21
A couple things are going wrong — thanks to retrograde Mercury. Watch out where joint money matters are concerned, don't trust others more than you have to.

♊ Gemini May 22 - June 21
Your luck will change for the better but you need to look ahead and make plans. You also need to believe that you deserve it when good things come your way.

♋ Cancer June 22 - July 23
Don't start making claims and accusations that can't be backed up by facts. The planets warn you need to be extra careful.

♌ Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Jupiter turns retrograde today so there's a real danger you'll go over the top. Careful that you don't waste all the good work you've done over the past few weeks, especially where your cashflow is concerned.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Not only are others being demanding but they also believe that you owe them whatever it is they desire. That's nonsense. If anything they owe you for being so easy-going and forgiving. Toughen up!

♎ Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
There is no need to push yourself, even though others may be urging you to do so. The planets say take it easy. You're entitled to some down time now and again.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
If you take a risk then try to make it one where, if you lose, it won't cost you an arm and a leg. Jupiter, planet of excess, is beginning one of its retrograde phases, so Lady Luck is unlikely to be on your side.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Most of your worries have no basis in reality, so stop thinking that the world is out to get you and get out into the world. Your thoughts create your reality. As you think, so you are.

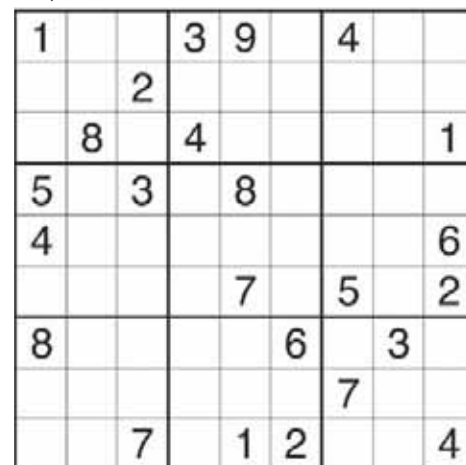
♑ Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You may be tough but you are not invincible and you need to keep that in mind. With Jupiter, planet of luck, turning retrograde you may find that your path isn't as easy as it has been.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You seem to be anxious about something that just a short while ago you would not have wasted a moment's time on. Overrule your anxiety as good things will be coming your way.

♓ Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
If you allow yourself to get angry today you will probably say things you regret. Both in your personal life and in your work you must think before you speak. Engage your brain before you open your mouth.

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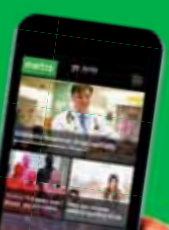
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